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BETHEL, MAINE, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1904.

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THERE IS A TIDE IN THE AFFAIRS OF WOMEN.

Flood Tide Our Removal Sale.

A writer of consequence said "there is a tide in the affairs of men," but this is no affair of men. Here is a tide in the affairs of women's affairs, such as Suits, Skirts, Jackets, Shirt Waists and Wash Goods, now while the variety of styles is at flood tide, with the prices cut in the middle in some cases. In about two weeks we will have to make room for the carpenters who are to do the work on our new store. Our loss is your gain.

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Other-pretty styles at 98 cts., \$1.49, \$1.98.

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Others from 39 cents to \$2.98.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Lives of poets should remind them They must have good feet in rhyme If when gone they'd leave behind them Footprints in the sands of Time.

Rev. A. D. Colson was in Exeter last week.

Dr. Dickinson Miller has left town to join his family.

Miss Mipa Tyler of West Bethel is working for Mrs. Frank Flint.

Mr. John Yates and daughter, Alta of Paris were in town Sunday.

Miss Helen Bisbee spent a few days with friends in Auburn last week.

Miss Veda Bennett of Portland is the guest of her uncle, Milton Penley.

Mr. F. B. Martin of Rumford Point was in our village last Thursday.

Miss Mamie Marshall of Milan, N. H., was the guest of Mrs. I. H. Wight Sunday.

Mr. Bisbee and family of Berlin, were guests of Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Potter last week.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. E. L. Arno Thursday afternoon.

Supper will be served in Garland chapel at six o'clock to-morrow evening by the Ladies' Club 25 cents. Come everybody.

Prof. Francke of Harvard, whose connection with the Germanic Museum at Cambridge will be remembered, is re-visiting Bethel.

Mrs. Arthur Wescott and two little children of Portland who have been spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Richardson returned home Monday.

The "Real Widow Brown" appeared in Odeon Hall last Thursday night and was seen by a goodly number of our people. The play was decidedly amusing and was fully enjoyed by all.

There will be a meeting of the Missionary Society of the M. E. church Friday afternoon in the lecture room. Important business is to come before the meeting and all members are earnestly requested to be present.

Mrs. C. N. Gleason and daughter Mabel have returned from New York where they have been visiting friends for the past few weeks. They were accompanied by Mrs. M. J. Werrey and daughter Edna of Brooklyn who will remain for a few weeks.

Prof. Marks of Harvard, Mr. Geo. Brown, master of the Brown and Nichols school, Mrs. Belknap of Louisville, Miss Burton of New York, Mrs. Wright of Cincinnati, Miss Williamson of Cleveland, are with Dr. Gehring at his house.

Bon. L. E. Holden and eldest daughter will be in Bethel during the week. Mr. Holden's generous help for the pressing hygienic needs of Gould's Academy, makes his coming among us an event of more than usual importance and pleasure to a grateful community.

In another column of this issue appears the advertisement of Bliss Business College of Lewiston. This business college is one of the best in the State, and we are pleased to recommend it to our readers. It is the only one that is occupying a building built especially for its own purposes. An elegant catalogue has recently been issued at an expense of 75 cents per copy. This will be sent free to any interested.

Are you going to St. Louis with us on Sept. 19? The prospects are that we shall have a larger party than before although the first was three times larger than any other one that has yet gone from Maine. This is explained from the fact that our route gives the best side attractions of any route from Maine to St. Louis, that we take in all of said attractions and yet our price is from twenty-five to fifty dollars under the other fellows. Any who are thinking of going should interview Mr. Bowler ere long as arrangements have to be made at the Inside Inn several weeks in advance.

Ladies' Club fair tomorrow. Schools throughout the town will begin Sept. 5.

Miss Baker of Portland visited at J. H. Barrows' last week.

Miss Ethel Richardson returned from Norway last Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Chandler and daughters are visiting her parents.

Mr. Barrick of Portland, was the guest of friends in town Sunday.

Victor Gehring has been visiting friends in town for a few days.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Chandler Tuesday Aug. 16.

Walter Wight returned to work Monday after an absence of three weeks.

Miss Rose Steinfield of Berlin spent last week with Miss Gladys Wiley.

Mrs. Eli Stearns is ill at her home and is cared for by Mrs. Flint.

Master Ivan Arno returned Saturday from a visit with relatives in Milan, N. H.

Mrs. Roy Grover was taken to the Lewiston General Hospital for treatment yesterday.

Miss Alice Mason and Miss Luella Boothby of Berlin are guests of Mrs. O. M. Mason.

Marjorie Locke of Portland is spending a few days with her aunt Mrs. N. E. Richardson.

Mrs. E. E. Farwell and two children are spending a couple of weeks with Mrs. A. M. Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Arno were the guests of C. E. Arno and wife of Gorham, N. H., over Sunday.

Mrs. Nora Marston of Philadelphia is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. E. M. Burbank.

The fall term of Gould's Academy will open Sept. 6 instead of Aug. 30, as announced in the catalogue.

Misses Jane Gibson and Ruth King are assisting Prof. Wight in his concerts in the lake region this week.

George H. French of Augusta spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. French.

Mrs. Deleste Hastings, who underwent a surgical operation at her home, Monday, is reported as comfortable.

Miss Flossie Hastings of Auburn, will be the guest of her cousin, Miss Edith Hastings, during this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Clough of Portsmouth, N. H., are in town for a few weeks. They are located at Orville Clough's on Mill Hill.

New plank sidewalks are the order of the day, the residents of the Park and also of Spring street are the happy ones therefrom.

Mrs. Clara Arno who has been stopping with Mrs. Frank Flint for the past three weeks has returned to her home in Gorham, N. H.

Mr. Frank Prestou's unique and most charming bachelor establishment upon Paradise slope is a most popular attraction to his many friends.

Dr. Ambrose Gallison and two sons James and Thayer, Walter Hawkins, wife and son Buruell from Franklin, Mass., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Billings over Sunday.

H. H. Hastings, Esq., was in Lewiston yesterday to consult with Congressman Littlefield and members of the Republican State committee on campaign matters.

Miss Birdella Richardson, stenographer at the News office, accompanied County Attorney Park to Norway last Friday to take the evidence given before the coronor's jury in the Judkins drowning case.

Mrs. Gehring was thrown from her carriage Thursday evening, escaping from a dangerous situation with unbroken bones, but with such severe bruises and shock as to confine her to the bed and room for a few days.

One of the smartest old ladies of Bethel is Mrs. Jane Coolidge who lives below Alder, river on the road to Middle Intervale, she has picked about three bushels of blueberries this season from their pasture which is mountainous and quite a distance away. She was seventy-six years old Aug. 8.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Don't forget the yarn sale at L. M. Stearns'.

Full line of Parker Lucky Curve Fountain Pens for sale at King's.

Try a Parker Pen at King's, and see if you don't find one that just suits you.

Just what you want for the cool days coming are some long sleeved corset covers. You will find them at L. M. Stearns'.

Miss Gracie Stowell is doing table work at the Willis House, Gorham, N. H.

Miss Mildred Flint of Portland, visited Miss Maud Davis a few days last week.

Philip Fickett of Portland, visited his grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Merrill, Sunday.

Miss Susie Hutchins has returned from Sunday River, where she has been visiting.

Mr. Albert Brown and Miss Alice Powers of Newry, visited at Mr. Norman Dudley's Sunday.

The annual fair of the Ladies' Club will be held in Garland chapel to-morrow afternoon and evening.

H. A. Packard, wife and daughter Ida, spent a few days recently with Dr. F. H. Packard and family at their cottage near Locke's Mills.

There will be an auction sale of household furniture at the Chapman house on High street next Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock. H. C. Barker auctioneer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Bartlett and family, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Ames, and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Straw went to Newry Corner Sunday, to listen to a sermon by the Rev. L. M. Powers of Buffalo, N. Y., (a Newry boy) who is spending his summer vacation with his parents.

On Thursday of last week, Miss Edith Hastings of Bethel, and Miss Florence Hastings of Auburn, left Gilead to make a visit to friends in Fryeburg, in the Saco valley.

The Grand Trunk railway did not find them that day among its down train passengers, the bicycle, once, if not now, a popular mode of conveyance, was not their chosen way of travel. Not by steam car, bicycle, nor automobile did they go, but each lady seated on the back of her loved and trusty pony, passed up Wild river to Hastings, through the woods and finally the mountain pass, piloted skillfully by D. R. Hastings, they came into Cold river valley, where they could lay aside slow locomotion, give free rein to their ponies, and find themselves soon receiving the greetings of their Fryeburg friends.—Mountaineer, (Gorham, N. H.)

Universalist Grove Meeting.

The annual Grove Meeting of the Oxford Universalist Association will be held at Dearborn's Grove, Bryant's Pond, Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1904.

PROGRAM.

10.30 a. m. Praise Service, under the direction of Prof. W. S. Wight of Bethel.

11.00 a. m. Sermon, by Rev. C. R. Tenney of Auburn.

12.00 m. Picnic Dinner.

1.30 p. m. Sermon, by Rev. Chester Gore Miller of Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Addresses by Rev. F. E. Barton, Rev. A. D. Colson and others.

Hot coffee furnished free but you are requested to bring your drinking cups.

In case of showers the services will be held in the church near by. Everybody is invited to join us on the occasion of this annual reunion in the beautiful grove on the shore of the lake.

Half fare on the Grand Trunk railway.

Danger in Retreat: Dashaway—Did you have any trouble making love to Miss Flyer?" Cleverton—"None whatever. The trouble came when I tried to break away."

Rapid Transit Exit: Mr. Chle—"How's the new cook?" Mrs. Chle—"Oh, she came this morning and is taking this afternoon off. I suppose she's hunting another job."

A St. Louis Episode—En route.

It happened quite early this season, Without any obvious reason, She went to the Fair, But before she got there She plunged a poor man into depths of despair.

He had packed all his earthly possessions, Without even a thought of transgressions,

In a travelling thing Which folks take on the wing, Whatever their trades or professions. But alas! his most careful handpicking

Was destined to female ransacking; She brought forth to the light, Without asking the right, What soon set her heart palpi-cracking.

Of course she now begged he'd excuse her, And of course, too, he couldn't refuse her;

At once she gave back What she'd rummaged, alack! (The mistake seemed at length to amuse her.)

In closing, we think we'll endeavor To wager two feet of shoe-leather That it would be a good thing When she's next on the wing, If they'd pack their suitcases together.

Saturday's Races.

The weather was not all that was ordered or that could have been desired. Things looked decidedly discouraging in the morning and in fact all of the forenoon but the afternoon was better and at the appointed hour a goodly number had gathered at Riverside to witness the racing. Half mile heats were trotted in all the races.

In class A Edgcomb started at the pole but lost it to Bayard Wilkes who not only won the heat but race with the following as the

SCORE

Bayard Wilkes, E. L. Fisher, 1 1 1
Clarione, Fred Tapley, 2 2 3
Edgcomb, C. R. Cross, 3 3 2

Time, 1.15, 1.10, 1.13.

In class B Fred S. took the pole and held it throughout the race with Hinetta a close second. Sir William showed a slight lameness in the second heat and was drawn.

SCORE

Fred S., Fred Tapley, 1 1 1
Hinetta, C. W. Hall, 2 2 2
Sir William, G. E. Ryerson, 3 3 dr

Time, 1.14, 1.13, 1.15

Class C was the race of the day and it certainly was a good one. Promoter had the pole but lost it in the first heat to Orphan Wilkes who went the heat with Miss Strike all but neck to neck. These two horses made as pretty a heat as has been seen at Riverside for an age. In the second heat Miss Strike took the pole on the second quarter and held it; she also took the third heat but was second to Orphan Wilkes again in the fourth. A fifth was not trotted so the race was left incomplete with Orphan Wilkes and Miss Strike sharing honors.

SCORE

Orphan Wilkes, (H. S. Hastings), 1 3 2 1
Miss Strike, (W. R. Chapman), 2 1 1 2
Promoter, (W. F. Kendall), 4 2 4 3

Lord Kremlin, 3 4 3 4

Time 1.10, 1.10, 1.11, 1.11.

The Gilead band was present and furnished some very enjoyable music between the waits.

Not the least among the side attractions was a game of ball between the Locke's Mills and West Bethel teams. The teams were evenly matched and the game was an interesting one. The Locke's Mills team carried off the honors with the score 11 to 9.

In the evening a band concert was given on the Prospect Inn piazza while the members of the band were waiting for the midnight train. Many were the listeners and many were the words of praise for the Gilead band.

State Examination.

The regular annual examination of candidates for State Certificates will occur Friday, August 20, 1904. Persons desiring further information regarding this examination, should send for circulars to W. W. Stetson, Augusta, Me.

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A Souvenir

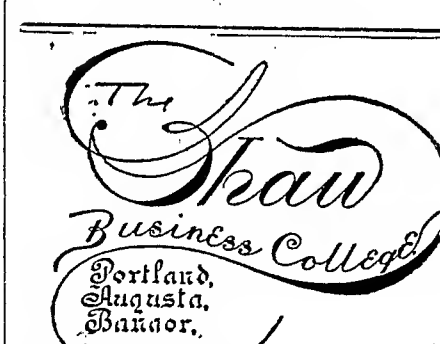
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The Fall term of Gould's Academy will open

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Wireless Telegraphy in the Far East.

The recent successful employment of wireless telegraphy in the far East in affording a means of communication from the beleaguered Port Arthur, and especially in the transmission of war news from the war zone, has renewed attention to its potential utility. It is known that a wireless station was established at Golden Hill, at least as long ago as the spring of 1903, for regular communication between Port Arthur and the Russian warships in the Gulf of Pechili. In the waters of the far East there are at least five different systems of wireless telegraphy on the various warships and in the forts. The British have more than twenty vessels in those waters equipped with the Marconi system in which the filigee coherer is used. The Italians, also, employ the Marconi system with the Solari coherer. The Germans are using the Slaby-Arco or Braun system. The French vessels are equipped with the Braun system. The Japanese are employing a system which, it is asserted, is a modification of Marconi's; but this is denied by the Japanese. It is known that wireless experiments have been carried on by the Japanese Department of Communications and the Japanese navy since 1896.—Review of Reviews.

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Time Table in Effect June 19, 1904.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave,	1.30	1.00
Gorham,	3.21	3.20
Glendale,	3.45	3.38
West Bethel,	3.57	3.47
BETHEL, arrive,	4.05	3.53
Looke Mills,	9.00	3.32
Bryant Pond,	4.22	9.05
South Paris,	4.51	9.30
Lewiston,	5.50	10.30
Portland, arrive,	6.40	11.15
Boston, via rail,	A. M.	P. M.
Boston, via boat,	12.45	4.10

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	3.15	1.30
Lewiston,	9.00	2.25
South Paris,	10.00	3.22
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.02
Looke Mills,	10.35	4.12
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46	4.25
West Bethel,	10.54	4.35
Glendale,	11.05	4.51
Gorham,	11.30	5.20
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50
Montreal,	6.50	7.20
Toronto,	7.15	4.50
Chicago,	8.45	7.20

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS.

Excursions to Gorham and Berlin begin June 12th and run each Sunday till Oct. 23, fare 45 cts. round trip. Train leaves Bethel at 11.12 a. m. Returning leaves Berlin at 11.12 a. m. arriving in Bethel at 5.05.
Excursions to Portland begin July 3, and continue till Sept. 11, fare \$1.00. Train leaves Bethel 6.55 a. m., returning, arrives at 8.35 p. m.
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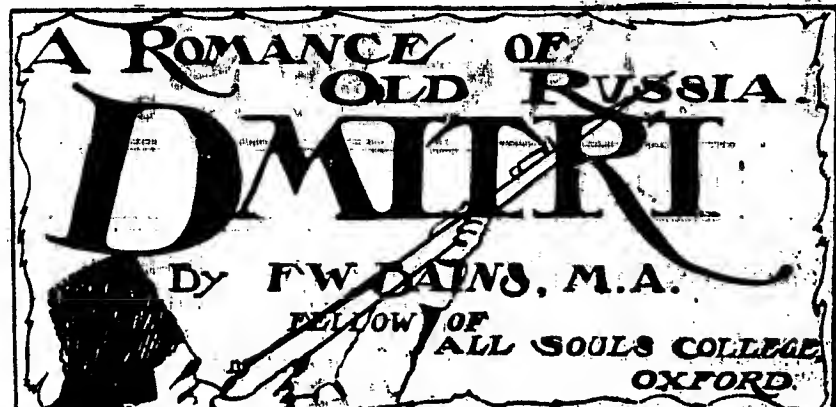
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"Fellow-soldiers, I have here a prisoner, a Russian noble taken by accident on the Don, who has important information to disclose. I know no secrets from my comrades. Bring forward the man there."

A man, loaded with iron, was hurried before him. His dress was the customary long caftan, red boots, and fur cap of the Russian boyar. No sooner had he caught sight of Dmitri than he fell on his face, and groveled on the ground.

"By St. Vassili, it is himself! Mercy, mercy! noble Tsarevitch, mercy. I knew not I was fighting against my Tsar—against the son of the Terrible. Holy Saints! how like him he is! It must be the Terrible Ivan himself come back to life. Mercy, mercy!"

A murmur of astonishment ran through the onlookers.

"What is your name, fellow?" said Dmitri. "If you want your pardon, you must gain it by your information. And what news have you?"

"My name is Kroustchov—Ivan Fedorovich Kroustchov—most mighty Tsarevitch. I was one of the usurper's most trusted confidantes. I know the imperial plans as well as Boris himself; ay, better."

"Get up then, and tell me how matters go on at Moscow, Ivan Fedorovich. Speak the truth, and it shall be well for you."

Kroustchov rose as if unwilling to stand before his Tsar.

"Most mighty Tsar, I will utter nothing but the truth. Boris is gathering all the troops he can, but they hate him, all of them—boyars or moujiks, noble or peasant. They smile with their lips, but their hearts are all for thee. He cannot trust them; he trembles on his throne; he is afraid of thy name and the might of truth. And they say he is sending all his treasures to Astrakhan, and means to escape to Persia."

"The dog!" exclaimed Dmitri. "Do you hear that, gentlemen? But he shall not get far. Go on, Kroustchov. There is nothing more to tell. Wait. Boris has sent for thy mother from her convent."

"Well?"

"He has interviewed her time after time," said Kroustchov. "No one knows what he has said, but he keeps her under strict guard."

"No doubt," said Dmitri, turning to his circle. "The old fox! Poor mother, you shall soon see your son, in spite of his locks and keys. Anything more?"

"His sister, the Tsarina Irene, is dead," said Kroustchov. "They say he poisoned her, as he poisoned thy brother, the Tsar Feodor. He gives out everywhere that thou art an impostor, but no one believes him in Moscow. He has hanged two nobles for drinking thy health, and his police crowd the prisons with the people, who expect thee as their deliverer."

"Is that all?" inquired Dmitri.

"All, most mighty Tsar; absolutely all."

"Very good. Guards, remove the prisoner. I will deal with him presently. Fellow-soldiers, he went on, turning to the eager soldiers, 'some of you have heard this fellow's report. Let those who have not learn it from those who have, and then who can doubt our success? To-morrow we cross the river and set forth for Moscow. Let God and the holy Saints bless us, and in six weeks we shall be talking over our adventures in the Kremlin. Let every man be ready to-morrow by sunrise."

And amidst cheers and the flourishing of trumpets he rode back to the shed.

"General," said Iwanicki on their arrival, "some of those Russian boyars have villainous plebeian countenances. What a stroke of luck for you, that fellow turning up in the nick of time! His story is worth a host to you."

"Put thy trust in the Lord," commented one of the Jesuits, who came disguised as a man-at-arms; "and He shall give thee thy heart's desire."

"Yes," observed Dmitri thoughtfully; "it was odd how the man recognized me. I suppose there must be a resemblance—so many people have noticed it already."

XXII.

A month flew by. From the window of an exquisite boudoir in her father's palace at Orskow, the beautiful Marina gazed wistfully at the thickly falling snow.

"Come!" suddenly exclaimed her old friend Lise; "your Imperial Tsarina-ship has been very dull this morning. Can you think of nothing but your Paladins, Dmitri? I daresay he is putting to flight, at this very moment, at least six hundred miserable Muscovites, panic-stricken at the glare of his terrible black eyes!"

"They're not black; they're grey!" said Marina; and she was silent for a moment. "Oh!" she exclaimed, coming back into the room; "I wish he would write! Oh, Lise! you don't think he is killed?"

"Killed! How could he possibly be killed? They've nothing but bows and arrows to fight with, those poor Muscovites. Unless, perhaps, he gets frozen up in an iceberg, or eaten by

a bear, or shot by your father, Marie!—he does shoot so badly. I never saw any one shoot so badly as your worthy papa, dear. Why—"

The sentence was never finished, for a servant entered the room.

"A courier, Mademoiselle, from Russia."

Marina sprang to the door. "A courier! Where is he?"

The wily Francois had anticipated this outburst, and drew aside. There, in the doorway, stood the long-expected and snow-speckled postman.

Marina caught from his hands the packet, tore it open, and there was the letter. Let us look over her shoulder.

Novgorod-Severski.

Little golden-haired Marie! first; I send you hundreds of kisses. I must take care not to put this in the wrong packet—it would startle some of my friends if I made a mistake. Are you trembling with anxiety to know whether I'm dead? No; I'm alive still, little woman, and we're getting on famously. I expect I shall soon be able to send for you. All the people here are enthusiastic for me. But what does a little girl know or care about battles and sieges, except that we win? Lots of the towns have declared for me. I always fight behind a large shield, so don't be afraid.

Marie. We took a Russian convoy yesterday with nearly a hundred thousand ducats in it. We are besieging Novgorod-Severski, where there's a troublesome fellow called Basmanof, who has shut himself up inside; but we shall take it in another week. Next time I write, it will be from Moscow, I expect.

Adieu, little Marie! I think about you in the huts and sheds I generally sleep in, while you are luxuriating in your silky bed! But I'm pretty well off here. They've burned most of the houses, but one or two do live in. I send you a bearskin—I killed its owner the other day when we were out hunting—and the head of an arrow, which stuck in my hand last week as I was looking at the ramparts here. The hand is nearly well again now, but it won't be quite well till you've kissed it once more. Good-bye, darling little girl! I've no time to write more. Y. our father is safe and sound, and Count Iwanicki says he looks after me, so you must not be afraid.

Dmitri.

"Dear Count Iwanicki!" murmured Marina.

"Why, Marina, will you never hear? The news! the news! I suppose you won't let me see the sweet epistle, so tell me all that I may hear with my profane ears. How is the Paladin?"

And Marina told her.

XXIII.

It was night at Novgorod-Severski. Through the blackened ruins of the lower town, burned by the Russian governor, Basmanof, when he retired into the citadel, the troops of Dmitri were scattered here and there in such of the houses and huts as had escaped utter destruction.

Wrapped in a military cloak, Dmitri himself, accompanied by Iwanicki, stole from point to point, marking the disposition and wakefulness of the pickets, sentinels, and videttes. As they drew near a half-ruined wall, they heard on the other side talking and laughing, mingled with dispute. Cautiously approaching, they gained a position from which, unobserved themselves, they could see and hear the group of deputations.

"Why, what do you know about it, Zarucki?" they heard an old Cossack say to a young one who had just spoken. "A fine captain you would make, to be sure!"

"Say what you like, the general is wrong. Why, here have we been three weeks before this miserable wooden fort; and if we stay here three years we shall not take it! The Russians are close on us, with their whole army. Do you think we shall win if we take as much time as this over each wretched citadel we come to?"

"Why, what would you do?" said his critic, with a shrug.

"Do? Why, if I were hetman, I would attack the Muscovite army to-morrow!" said Zarucki, with an oath.

"Do you know how many they are?" said a Pole. "They are forty thousand if they are a man. And we—why, all told, we aren't fifteen thousand!"

"Pooh! what does that matter? The Muscovites are cowards; their generals drive them on with whips. Anyhow, if the general stays here much longer, he won't have any men at all! I shall go back to the Siczka. I daresay there will be something to do against the Tartars. I've had enough of this sitting idle here, freezing."

"So have I!" "And I!" shouted two or three more.

Dmitri beckoned his companion, and they stole away.

"Iwanicki, do you know, that fellow is right. I must do something. The Cossack is quite right; the men are getting restless. What do you say?"

Shall we fall on and try to-morrow?"

"I'm under orders, General. What you command, I do. But if you ask my opinion, I should half-agree with the ferocious young Cossack fellow. My knees are getting stiff here. Besides, General, the Poles are growing cold—you remember?"

Dmitri marched on for a moment in silence.

"To-morrow it shall be, then, Iwanicki. Look! will you go and bring Mulazek and the rest round to my quarters at once? Yes; we'll stretch our legs against the Muscovites to-morrow!"

Iwanicki went off, and Dmitri stopped for a second before he went into his house.

"Yes, I must be doing! The men are getting tired and impatient. By hook or crook, I must do something brilliant!—something to 'strike them! Curse this Basmanof! What fiend put him into Novgorod-Severski?"

"Well, it's a big risk, but it must be run. If we could only manage to beat the Russian army—if we could manage that—we'd soon have Basmanof and his fort. I must get that man on my side—he's a valuable man!—but how?"

He shook the snow from his boots, and entered the house.

XXIV.

Grey, cold, and sunless was the morning of the last day of December, 1604. In spite of the snowy mantle in which she had wrapped herself, Nature looked grim and repulsive. But in the little camp of Dmitri all was bustle and stir. Joyously did every man, whether Pole or Cossack, learn the intention of his general to make trial of fortune in the open plain. Nor did the least anxiety appear on the face of Dmitri himself, as he rode rapidly from point to point, cheering the hearts of all his soldiers by his gay humor and kindly bonhomie.

"Well, Zarucki," he said, as he passed the young Cossack, to whose opinions he had listened the previous night, "the Saints have remembered you, and you have your wish. Let me see you play the man to-day."

"Trust me, Hetman," answered the delighted Zarucki, as Dmitri rode on. At this moment a Russian envoy, escorted by a Cossack on each side, rode into the camp; and dismounting, was brought before Dmitri, who addressed him in Russian.

"Well, what now? Are the rebels prepared to return to their dutiful allegiance?"

"Do I speak to him who styles himself Prince Dmitri Ivanovitch?" said the envoy.

"You do."

"Then know," answered the envoy, "that Prince Feodor Ivanovitch Mstislavski, General-in-Chief of the Russian armies, sends his injunction hereby to the Palatine of Sandomir, bidding him withdraw from the instant from the Russian territory, which he is violating in time of truce, and abandon the cause of an impostor, now in revolt against his lawful Tsar in alliance with Sigismund, King of Poland."

"Do you hear the injunction, gentlemen?" said Dmitri, turning to his suite. "Well, well, we bear no malice to Prince Mstislavski for obeying orders. But get back to thy quarters, fellow, and bid them look to themselves, or I will teach them their mistake and their duty before the sun is down. Away with thee. In five minutes I will strike thee from the beam of that blackened roof if thou art still in my camp."

The messenger did not wait to be told a second time.

Within half an hour Dmitri's little army forsook its entrenched position, and debouched on to the plain. Half a mile from the Russian lines he drew up his forces in three bodies. On the right wing were the mounted Cossacks, commanded by Korela; in the centre the contingent of Russians, with all those of the Poles or Cossacks who fought on foot. He himself, at the head of the Polish knights, occupied the left.

For nearly two hours he remained quiet, watching attentively the huge Russian army, spread as it were all round him, numbering not less than forty thousand men. At length the expected moment arrived. By the carelessness of the Russian generals, two regiments, if the irregular and ill-drilled Russian bodies may so be styled, advanced simultaneously to occupy a position almost exactly opposite the Polish forces. The mistake was discovered, and the order countermanded. One of the two began slowly to move along the line, presenting its flank to Dmitri's eager eye.

He instantly gave the orders to advance.

"Now, gallant Poles, forward! God will bless the good cause. Iwanicki, remain behind, and see that Korela and his Cossacks support us, ready to dash in where we are pressed."

With a blast of their trumpets the Poles, their plumes waving, their skirts mantles floating behind them, their long lances with red pennons gleaming all in a row, rushed upon the point selected. Perceiving their intention, the Russians made a clumsy attempt to present a solid front to their onslaught; but the want of drill was fatal, and their confusion was complete. In five minutes the Poles were riding hither and thither amongst them, transfixing with their lances, or cutting and hewing with their swords, the disorderly crowd of terrified Russians, who, with loud shouts of "The Tsarevitch! the Tsarevitch!" abandoned their position, threw away their arms, and fled in utter panic. The whole army caught the infection, and the sudden charge of Korela with his Cossacks, half a mile farther to the

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In half an hour it was all over. Dmitri recalled the Cossacks, and his troops returned half unwillingly to their camp, leaving the disorganized Russian army to collect itself a few miles farther on the plain, and trusting to the effect of his victorious cavalry charge to finish what their swords had left half done.

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July 2—Well, mamma and I have packed the trunks.
July 3—We have overhauled papa's clothes. His bathing suit was torn and papa told mamma to collect the rent. It's awful to be a Congressman and spring puns at the same time.
July 4—We're off. We left last night. Philadelphia is a fast town, but we had to lay over here until the Atlantic City train that Congressional passes are good on got ready to take us to the shore.
July 5—He is a lovely fellow, but—my goodness! such table manners! He actually ate his noodle soup with a fork!
July 6—Last night I danced with him and he stepped on my train. You'd think when he stepped on the train he was going somewhere, wouldn't you? But I couldn't make him. He stuck to me all evening worse than a scandal sticks to the Post Office Department.
July 7—I went in bathing this morning. My, isn't it a profound responsibility to have the Atlantic Ocean all around one! That man I was with said something about the sea moaning because a crab pinched its undertow. I detest old jokes.
July 8—Heavens! He has actually proposed! And I have actually accepted him! That spoils all my fun for the trip. I'll have to quarrel with him now to get rid of him.
July 9—We quarrelled. It was about the salad. I said it didn't agree with me and talked about my liver a whole hour. He said he didn't propose to marry a book of medical symptoms walking around with one foot in a mausoleum. I told him if I had to decide between him and my invalid liver he could run along home.
July 10—He ran along home. That young man from Baltimore has monopolized my attentions since, and there are three other fellows contemplating personal violence. My, it's exciting.
July 11—I was rescued to-day. The water was at least four feet deep, and he waded in and hauled me out. I had an awful hard time to keep from giggling.
July 12—Have just discovered that he is a dry goods clerk.
July 13—We are going home to-morrow. There are Charlie, George, Albert, Henry and Percy—five shot on the wing and mortally wounded!
July 14—Just before my train left Charlie and George came down to the parlor separately and admitted that they were already married. They seem to have no regard for a poor girl's feelings! The idea of two married men flirting with me for a week and—why, the very idea! Albert, I hear, has skipped out without paying his board bill. Henry has just dropped in to tell me that he is sorry, but he is engaged to be married next month! Calamity after calamity! And Percy the last of the five, rocked a boat this afternoon. They say it will be a perfectly lovely funeral—his folks are so rich!

July 15—Stopped over in Philadelphia. I can hardly get over the shock of those married men flirting with me.
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Freedmen, however, have not been admitted to citizenship in the two Southern tribes, the Choctaws and the Chickasaws, but the United States government proposes to give them forty acres of land apiece, but it must reimburse these two nations for the lands thus presented by a generous government to those who were formerly in bondage to the government's wards—the Indians.

Intermarriage between the fullblood Indians and the freedmen has been frequent and extended among the Creeks; somewhat less so among the Seminoles and practically unknown among the Choctaws and Chickasaws. The existence of these negroes in such numbers as in the Creek nation and under the circumstances, creates a negro problem of great importance and greater difficulty.

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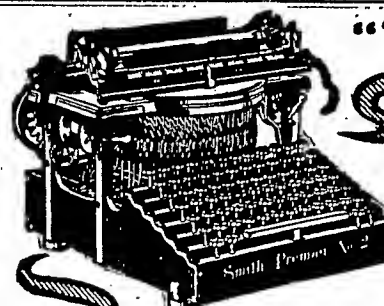


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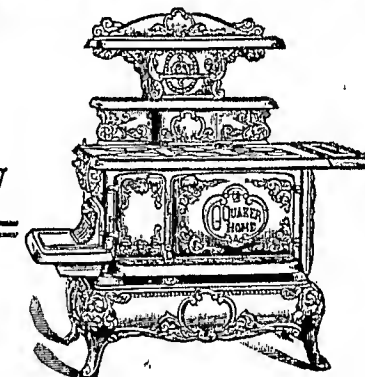
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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 10, 1904.

LEGISLATIVE SALARIES.

A Proper Increase in These Will Tend to Better Men and Improve Service.

The following article from the Lewiston Journal touches upon the interesting question of a higher salary for State legislators, and its suggestions are certainly very timely and appropriate:

A correspondent calls attention to the fact that Section 3, Chapter 288, Page 203 of the public laws of 1903, contemplates the submission of a constitutional amendment to the people of Maine at the next September election. The voters of this State at that election are asked to vote on this issue: Whether or not the pay of members of the legislature shall be increased? At present members of the legislature get the niggardly salary of \$150 and a small amount of mileage. Why anybody should be anxious to go to Augusta and sit in the general court when the State pays so little that one cannot pay his bills on his salary, no man can tell unless he places the love of power ahead of the love of money. It is by no means unlikely that the underpaid member of the legislature stays away from his post of duty, impelled by a natural desire to make an equation between what the State pays him for his services and what he has to pay for his bed and board. If the action of a small salary is in this direction, it is contrary to the well-being of the State. Underpay arrests the progress of work in committees as well as of work in the legislature. Those who have been in Augusta in the last week of the Maine legislature, must have noted the dangers of an accumulation of ill-digested law due to the evident desire to rush things, in order to get the legislature done within the limited period to which small pay confines it. We do not believe in the protracted legislature of Massachusetts. We do not believe in the opposite extreme; but we feel sure if a fair salary were paid members of the Maine legislature, that one of the pretexts for dallying might be removed, especially if members were required to be in attendance and to earn their increased salary. Here comes in the Real Thing as a necessity of public life—civil service reform, conscience for the public well-being.

Nor is it unlikely that a fair salary for fair legislative service would tend to diminish the temptations which service in the lobby frequently puts before members of the first and second branches. If a man has to eke out an equation between his output and his income by odd jobs in the lobby, he is thereby unfitted for independent service in house and senate.

But we here beg to call the attention of our readers to the fact that voters of Maine next September are asked to say "Yes" or "No" to the question of a rise in salary of members of the legislature. Will not a fair salary tend to secure better men? Certainly we should not create a condition in public service such that only those who are forehanded can afford to accept a legislative function.

In private enterprise we are expected to pay a fair price for service, the price, as a rule, increasing according as more brains and character are necessary to the discharge of the service. When the State violates this law, is it really economizing? In an aristocracy parliamentarians pay no salaries—only the rich can hold office in such parliaments unless the hat is passed.

We have called attention to the fact that the low salary formerly

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Mrs. J. H. FIFE, Colorado Springs, Colo.
J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Short Hair

paid to judges of our supreme court were not along the lines of economy. We couldn't possibly ask distinguished lawyers to assume public functions at the great sacrifice involved in the low salary formerly paid. The salaries have been raised, and are not dangerously high yet. The laborer is worthy of his hire, whether he works for the State or the individual.

But the chief issue which we wish to raise here today is this: The democratic State platform calls for the expansion of the referendum, notwithstanding the little interest taken whenever we have the referendum. Now in the approaching September election let it be noted there will be referendum on the question of legislative salaries. And we shall be much interested to see how many voters in the State of Maine take enough interest in the referendum to cast a ballot. If you want members of the Legislature to have salary enough to pay for bed and board and a fair amount besides, you will have to vote "yes." If you wish the present niggardly system to be perpetuated, you will vote "no."

World's Fair Complete.

All reports to the effect that the World's Fair is in an incomplete state are false. Without exception, the main exhibit palaces were finished before the day of opening, April 30, and since then every State and foreign building and concession structures that were not finished at that time has been completed. During the time that has passed since April 30, practically every unfinished exhibit has been installed, with the exception of such exhibits as are changed or renewed from month to month according to the season.

The World's Fair has been hurt more or less by the publication of grossly erroneous statements regarding the cost of living in St. Louis. Gradually these false reports are being refuted in the press and by word of mouth, as visitors from far and near come to St. Louis and find that living accommodations are remarkably reasonable. There are scores of restaurants where an abundant and wholesome meal may be had for 25c, and there are scores of hotels where lodgings at \$1 a day is the prevailing rate. Thousands of private families, in the best residential districts of the city, have opened their homes for the entertainment of World's Fair visitors at rates for lodgings ranging from 50c. per day upwards. For \$1 an excellent room may be had in a most respectable neighborhood, and there are many boarding houses and private dwellings where lodgings and breakfast may be obtained at from \$1 to \$1.25. Rooms taken by the week, or occupied by two or more persons are rented at still lower figures.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. E. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known E. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

One Minute Cough Cure

For Coughs, Colds and Croup.

Suicide of Oxford County Man.

Fred A. Robinson well known in Oxford county shot himself in Hotel Atwood, Lewiston, last Thursday and died instantly. He was about forty five years of age. Mr. Robinson was in the billiard parlors of the Atwood Hotel smoking and apparently happy ten minutes before the fatal shot was fired. The report was heard by the guests in the hotel lobby and the bellboy was asked to investigate. When he opened the door to the billiard parlors Mr. Robinson was sitting in a chair near the window. His head was hung downward and the blood was oozing from the wound made by a bullet from a .38-caliber revolver. The weapon was lying on the floor near the chair where it had fallen from the man's hand. Mr. Robinson's cigar was still smoking on the window stool where he placed it just before his death.

Coroner Chas. W. Harris of Auburn, Dr. E. A. Crockett of Lewiston and Deputy Marshal Leader were promptly called. Life was extinct when they arrived and Coroner Harris took charge of the remains. The bullet entered the head just above the left temple and passed through the head and was just inside the skin over the right temple. His right hand was burned and also his head. It is thought he held the revolver very close to his head steadying it with his right hand and firing with his left.

Several letters and papers were found on his person, which partially explained his rash act. One letter to proprietor Nevins of the Atwood Hotel, requested that all papers and letters of value be forwarded to relatives. Another letter to A. E. Cole, a dentist in Buckfield and a friend of the deceased explained why he shot himself. The letter was in one of his pockets and read as follows:

Dear Art:—
It is of no use, I can stand it no longer. Life has been a burden ever since Gene left me. Will you look out for things for me and the boy.

My insurance will pay what little I owe, bury me and leave a good sum for the boy.

My things at A's, Ed. Maxim's and Dyer's had better be sent to Paris.

This is asking a great deal but I know you will do it. I leave love to all. Keep your eye on the boy.

Good bye,
(Signed) F. A. Robinson.

Mr. Robinson formerly lived in Buckfield where he was proprietor of a hotel at one time. He had been clerking at Glen Mountain House at Bryant's Pond until about three weeks ago when he came to Lewiston on a vacation. Early in the spring he was proprietor of the Rockingham Hotel for two or three months, but finally sold out his interest in the house and accepted a position in Bryant's Pond. He was highly respected by all who knew him and was honest and upright in his business dealings. His wife died about two years ago and since that time he had been despondent at times. He leaves a child, two years old, who is now living with relatives in South Paris. Mr. Robinson had always devoted much of his time to the hotel business, and was the proprietor of several different houses up to the time of his wife's death.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

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MADE HIM A NEW MAN

THINKS L. F. MEDICINE A BOON TO MANKIND

"I wish to say a few words in praise of the True L. F. Medicine. I have taken it for years and find it to be the best all round laxative medicine I can get. I was feeling very bad last spring and took several bottles and it made me feel like a new man. I feel that this medicine will be of any use to you in increasing the sale of your medicine you are at liberty to use it. This medicine is a great boon to mankind."—S. W. Gordon, Chesterville, Me.

THE TRUE L. F. RENEWS THE ENERGIES AND IMPARTS VIGOR AND STRENGTH TO BODY AND MIND

Hump Back

SCOTT'S EMULSION won't make a hump back straight, neither will it make a short leg long, but it feeds soft bone and heals diseased bone and is among the few genuine means of recovery in rickets and bone consumption.

Send for free sample.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists,
409-415 Pearl Street, New York.
50c. and \$1.00; all druggists.

Obituary.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Twitchell widow of the late William Chandler, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Emery, in Livermore Falls Aug. 4.

Mrs. Chandler was a native of Bethel, daughter of the late Alfred and Martha Twitchell, and lived here until the death of her husband in 1886.

She spent several years in Norway and other places until she made her home with her daughter. She suffered a stroke of paralysis more than a year ago and has been an invalid since. She left one son William Chandler Jr., of Kennebunk and one daughter, Mrs. Emery, who gave her the tenderest care during the months of helplessness. She was a most devoted self-sacrificing mother and the one regret as weakness increased that foreboded the end of physical suffering, was, that the release from pain would bring separation from her children for a time. Funeral services were held in Garland Chapel Sunday afternoon and the interment was in the family lot at Woodlawn Cemetery.

HOLLISTER'S Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets

A Bony Medicine for Bony People.
Brings Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.
A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Live and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Stomach Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 25 cents a box. Genuine made by Hollister's Pure Food Company, Madison, Wis.

GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE

EAST BETHEL.

C. M. Kimball visited Dixfield and Rumford Falls Tuesday of this week.

Misses Belle and Clara Kimball have gone to Phillips for a few weeks' stay with their father and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Bartlett, son and daughter of Waltham, Mass., are guests at M. E. Bartlett's.

Mrs. F. B. Howe visited friends at South Paris last week.

Cleveland Bartlett has returned home from South Framingham, Mass.

Mrs. Annie Crane from Avon, Mass., visited relatives here last week.

DeWitt is the Name
When you go to buy Witch Hazel Salve look for the name DEWITT on every box. The pure unadulterated Witch Hazel is used in making DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which is the best salve in the world for cuts, burns, bruises, boils, eczema and piles. The popularity of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, due to its many cures, has caused numerous worthless counterfeits to be placed on the market. The genuine bears the name E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

Conquered: Mrs. Newed—"Heavens, John! Take that rubber doll away. The darling goes into fits every time he sees it." Mr. Newed—"Ha, ha! He has discovered that he can neither eat nor break it, eh?"

'Tis said a bottle and a glass—
Will make a person mellow,
But Rocky Mountain Tea's the drink
That livens up a fellow.

G. R. Wiley.

Taking Her Down: Kitty—"Oh, auntie, I am so happy! Horace says there's nobody in all the world like me." Aunt Jane—"Nonsense! You're not so eccentric as all that—although there's no denying you are a bit odd."

You need clean healthy bowels just as much as pure, wholesome food; without either, you cannot keep well. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea eliminates all impurities. Tea or tablets, 35 cents.
G. R. Wiley.

Your talent will never increase unless you use it.

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users.
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3d Series of Aug. Offerings—see this space two preceding issues

"WHAT DOTH IT PROFIT A MAN"

or woman if advantage is not taken and the call heeded!

A Time to Save Money

Is this on every dollar's worth of

Chamber and Dining-Room Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Couches, Morris Chairs,

and the dozen and one items we've been advertising.

Our distribution of August Bargains still going on—all who have come have been satisfied—for all know they've saved money. For ourselves we prefer to extend our acquaintance—even by sacrificing part of the profits rather than have half the business with same financial results and no new friends. Here are some items from our Drapery Department:—

PLAIN MUSLIN COTTAGE CURTAINS,
Heavy German Muslin, deep ruffle,
39c, 48c, 65c per pair.

FINE MUSLIN CURTAINS,
Hem-stitched ruffle, three and four tucks,
65c, 79c, 85c per pair.

FINE LOUISINE STRIPE MUSLIN CURTAINS,
Plain ruffle. A very handsome chamber curtain,
98c, \$1.25, \$1.48 per pair.

Fine NOTTINGHAM LACE CHAMBER CURTAINS,
with good cord edge, the kind that will launder well,
48c, 62c, 79c, 89c per pair.

Selected NOTTINGHAM CURTAINS,
in fine Scotch thread, all good patterns;
98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 per pr.

FINE IRISH POINT LACE CURTAINS,
Plain center with button-hole edge,
\$3.00, \$3.98, \$4.25 per pair.

Cash or Easy Terms. We Pay Freight.

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Farm for Sale.
A nice farm situated in Lewiston within three miles of the city, on electric road; fifty acres of land, about equally divided as to pasture and tillage land; has thirty or forty fruit trees; a spring of pure water near house, also nice well water, excellent set of farm buildings including large hen-house, new; cellar under house, all and stable; excellent land to cultivate, and, cuts twenty-five tons of hay; early land, and excellent markets for vegetables, berries and all farm produce; never failing brook runs through the pasture. Will sell at a bargain and on easy terms. For particulars inquire of, or address,
E. C. BOWLER,
Bethel, Maine.

WANTED—American women between 18 and 30 years of age to work as attendants in the Medfield Insane Asylum at Medfield Junction, Mass., 20 miles from Boston. Wages increase with length of service. An opportunity to become a trained nurse. Address,
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To introduce and sell "Sunshine," the best furniture polish in the world. It sells on sight. You can make money this winter. For particulars write,
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Portland, Me.

For Sale or To Let.
Riverside Cottage formerly occupied by Amos King.
Apply to
C. C. BRYANT,
Bethel, Me.

Notice.
I wish to give notice that I have hired the Blacksmith Shop of J. C. Billings and am prepared to do Horse Shoeing and Jobbing; have had large practice in city work. Call and see me.
L. E. BATES, Bethel, Me.

Wanted.
Teachers for graded and ungraded schools. Write to
THE MAINE TEACHERS' AGENCY,
Bethel, Maine.

For Sale.
Any one wishing to purchase a good Double Bass at a low price will please call on
GEO. T. LAWRENCE,
Bethel, Me.

Lost.
Between Greenwood City and Bethel a chatelaine bag containing a small sum of money, a handkerchief marked H. and a piece of unfinished embroidery. If the finder will kindly return to Mrs. A. E. Herrick, Bethel, Me., he will be suitably rewarded. 3w12

Notice of Foreclosure.
WHEREAS Almon Grover, then of Bethel, County of Oxford, State of Maine, now deceased, by his mortgage deed, dated the first day of January, A. D., 1876, and recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds, book 173, page 142, conveyed to the Bethel Savings Bank, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of said State of Maine certain real estate situated in said Bethel, and bounded as follows, to-wit: northerly by land of Addison E. Herick and Ellery C. Park; easterly by land of Rachel R. Mayberry, land of W. H. Hutchinson and land of said Herick and Park; southerly by land of Eben S. Kilborn; westerly by land of Peter Wheeler, land of A. B. Grover and land of True Brown known as the Walter Brown farm; said bounded parcel being what is known as the Almon Grover farm on Grover Hill, in said Bethel. Also another parcel of land situated in said Bethel, and being what is known as the "meadow piece," and bounded as follows, to-wit: commencing at the point where the west line of lot numbered thirty-two, in the second range of lots in said Bethel first strikes Pleasant River, so-called, about forty-six rods from the northwest corner of the lot; thence north eighteen degrees west one and one half rods; thence east eighteen degrees north twelve rods; thence east thirty degrees south fourteen rods; thence east twenty degrees south eighteen rods; thence south eighteen degrees east three rods; thence west twenty-four degrees south eighteen rods to a small stream running into Pleasant River; thence on said River to the first mentioned bound; the foregoing courses are taken from said mortgage and no allowance is made for variation of the compass. And whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken, now therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof the said Bethel Savings Bank claims a foreclosure of said mortgage.
Bethel, Maine, August 9, 1904.
Bethel Savings Bank,
by Addison E. Herick,
its Treasurer.

Taken with Cra.
Wm. Kirmse, a me bridge gang working port was taken suddenly day night with cramps of cholera. His case was that he had to have the of the crew wait upon him. Gifford was called and He told them he had the form of Chamber Cholera and Diarrhoea that he thought would out and accordingly was administered with that the fellow was around next day. Th speaks quite highly of ford's medicines.—Elk Argus.

This remedy never fails in your home, it may. For sale by G. R. Wiley, E. L. Tebbets, Locke W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. West Bethel.

IN making cake, if instead of cream of soda, or sour milk Baking Powder employed them, better will be obtained. Royal makes that will keep and fresh, and can be eaten warm without inconvenience to persons of indigestion.

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All the Latest News
Neighbors
A heavy fall of needed.
Fred E. Murphy's telephone.
Rust has appeared vines in many places. Excursionists go from this station every. It is labor in varieties to make hay shine.

Mrs. L. E. Allen and C. L. Pike visited brother, N. H., last week. Mrs. Lois C. Bean ill turn last week after Mrs. Mabel Davis is now with her.

Geo. O. Bean, who smith in this village, ago, died suddenly ease in Minturn, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene and daughter, Mildred, the month of April Point Sagadahoc Briggs was in Boston the month of July.

Mrs. Ella A. Wiggin brother, Elmer R. Briggs, and Mrs. Emma Northwest Norway, father and two brothers day.

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GROVER HILL
Miss Marian E. Bennett at the home of her sister Bertha Jordan, Mechanic.

Fred Wheeler was here He is working in the Bethel again after a short baying.

Albert Browne and W North Waterford are True Brown's for a few days. S. J. Walker from Auburn Herbert Mason of W were on Grover Hill Sunday. A party from this place an afternoon boating on Lake recently. Gwendolyn Stearns is friends in New Hampshire week.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Little*

IN making biscuit, cake, rolls, etc., if instead of using cream of tartar and soda, or soda and sour milk, Royal Baking Powder is employed to raise them, better results will be obtained. Royal makes food that will keep moist and fresh, and which can be eaten when warm without inconvenience even by persons of delicate digestion.

WEST BETHEL.

All the Latest News from Our Near Neighbors.

A heavy fall of rain is much needed.

Fred E. Murphy has a new graphophone.

Rust has appeared on potato vines in many places.

Excursionists go east and west from this station every Sunday.

It is labor in vain when one tries to make hay without sunshine.

Mrs. L. E. Allen and her brother, C. L. Pike visited brothers in Coos county, N. H., last week.

Mrs. Lois C. Bean had another ill turn last week and her daughter Mrs. Mabel Davis, of Portland is now with her.

Geo. O. Bean, who was a blacksmith in this village thirty years ago, died suddenly of heart disease in Minturn, Ark., July 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Briggs and daughter, Mildred, are spending the month of August at Bay Point Sagadahoc county. Mr. Briggs was in Boston through the month of July.

Mrs. Ella A. Wight and her brother, Elmer R. Briggs of South Paris, and Mrs. Emma A. Holt of Northwest Norway, visited their father and two brothers here Sunday.

Taken with Cramps.

Wm. Kilmse, a member of the bridge gang working near Littleport was taken suddenly ill Thursday night with cramps and a kind of cholera. His case was so severe that he had to have the members of the crew wait upon him and Mr. Gifford was called and consulted. He told them he had a medicine in the form of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy that he thought would help him out and accordingly several doses were administered with the result that the fellow was able to be around next day. The incident speaks quite highly of Mr. Gifford's medicines.—Elkader, Iowa, Argus.

This remedy never fails. Keep it in your home, it may save life. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

GROVER HILL.

Miss Marian E. Bennett, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bertha Jordan, Mechanic Falls.

Fred Wheeler was here Sunday. He is working in the mill at West Bethel again after a short vacation, having.

Albert Browne and Will Ray of North Waterford are guests at True Brown's for a few days.

S. J. Walker from Auburn and Herbert Mason of West Bethel were on Grover Hill Sunday.

A party from this place enjoyed an afternoon boating on Songo Lake recently.

Gwendolyn Stearns is visiting friends in New Hampshire this week.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Sole and General Distributors
J. H. H. H. H.

SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Mrs. Oscar Brown and daughter were in town Saturday.

Emerson Curtis, of West Paris, who is working on Harry Morton's house on Park street spent Sunday at home.

Rose Murphy-visited her aunt, Mrs. James Crooker of Locke's Mills last week.

Mrs. Fred P. Chandler and daughters, Hilda and Marjorie are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chandler of Bethel.

Lisbeth B. Murphy went to Gilead to teach school which began Monday.

Nathaniel Swan of East Bethel was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Edward Parlin and daughter, Mildred and granddaughter, Verna are in Colebrook, N. H., visiting for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy went to Portland Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Forbes and Miss Maude Douglass went to Canton Sunday.

Mr. L. S. Billings and wife went to Portland Sunday.

Carrie Gray of Portland spent Sunday with her parents, here.

F. P. Chandler went to Bethel, Sunday.

Marjorie McKenney of West Paris who has been spending a week with her cousin, Abbie Starbird has returned home.

Sick Headache.

"For several years my wife was troubled with what physicians called sick headache of a very severe character. She doctored with several eminent physicians and at a great expense, only to grow worse until she was unable to do any kind of work. About a year ago she began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and today weighs more than she ever did before and is real well," says Mr. Geo. E. Wright of New Loudon, New York.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

GILEAD.

There are quite a number of visitors in town.

Mrs. Verrill and sister, Miss Lydia Peabody of West Bethel were in town Sunday.

Miss Imogene Burnham of Boston is spending her vacation with her mother and brother at the old home.

Miss Lisbeth Murphy of South Paris commenced her school in district No. 3, Monday.

Mr. William Burbank of Lewiston has been stopping with friends the past week.

The Mountain Hills will meet with Mrs. E. R. Bennett next Thursday. All are cordially invited.

The fair and sociable of the Mountain Hills was a success. The entertainment was very good.

KILLS GERMS OF CATARRH

Hyomel Goes to the Root of the Disease and Makes Astonishing Cures.

Catarrh cannot be cured by the use of pills, liquid medicines and so-called system tonics. Under such treatment the germs of the disease will still live in the air passages and increase and multiply.

Hyomel is the only scientific and thorough way to cure catarrh. Killing the germs in the air passages, it enters the blood with the oxygen, destroys the microbes in the blood and effectually drives from the system all traces of catarrhal poison.

Probably the strongest evidence that can be offered as to the powers of Hyomel to cure catarrh is the fact that G. R. Wiley will agree to refund the money if you say Hyomel has not cured you.

The complete Hyomel outfit costs but \$1.00 and consists of an inhaler that can be carried in the vest pocket, a medicine dropper and a bottle of Hyomel. The inhaler lasts a lifetime, and if one bottle does not cure, an extra bottle of Hyomel can be obtained for 50 cents.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes. The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is now realized. It stands the highest for its cures of the most distressing cases and is sold in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

NORTH WEST BETHEL.

A small hail storm accompanied by thunder and lightning visited this place Monday during the forenoon. The hail stones were about as large as old fashioned bird's-eye beans and uniform in size and shape.

A missionary by the name of Yates has been a guest at R. L. Bennett's for some days.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Jacobs and daughter Katherine of Garden City, N. Y., are spending the summer at "The Homestead."

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Mills and son Francis was on this side of the river Sunday.

Fred Bemis and Ray Emery of Hastings were in this neighborhood last week.

Mrs. R. L. Bennett has been dangerously ill with cholera morbus.

Mrs. R. G. Stearns has been visiting her parents in Albany for some days.

Mrs. Leonard Sumner has returned to her home after spending some time with her sister.

E. S. Mason is doing carpenter work for Mr. Blanchard in Mason at Camp Caribou.

Henry Wight spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. Sylvanus Mason.

People with lots of hay to cut yet can solace themselves thinking as an old peddler of "other days" used to say—that he liked to have hay fully ripe so it would endure long before the beast. There will be lots to endure long if no better hay weather is forth coming.

Cholera Infantum.

This disease has lost its terrors since Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy came into general use. The uniform success which attends the use of this remedy in all cases of bowel complaints in children has made it a favorite wherever its value has become known.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel.

NEWRY.

W. N. Powers and wife, Harry Powers, Charles Bean and wife and Miss Susie Hutchins made a trip to Errol last week bringing home a nice lot of blueberries with them.

We had the pleasure of listening to Rev. L. M. Powers from Buffalo, N. Y. last Sunday. The church was full and the services were very interesting.

Mrs. Dan Hathorne and daughter have gone to Lewiston where her husband is working now.

A Perfect Painless Pill
is the one that will cleanse the system, set liver to action, remove the bile, clear the complexion, cure headache and leave a good taste in the mouth. The famous little pills for doing such work pleasantly and effectually are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Bob Moore, of Lafayette, Ind., says: "All other pills I have used gripe and sicken, while DeWitt's Little Early Risers are simply perfect." Sold by G. R. Wiley.

ALBANY—VALLEY ROAD.

Wm. McNally and his uncle, Joseph McNally, returned from Boston last week. Miss Minnie remained with friends in South Boston.

Chas. Downing and wife of Auburn have been visiting Mrs. Downing's sister Mrs. J. W. Cummings and family.

Charlie and Ada Dunham of West Bethel attended the L. R. T. Club entertainment as guests of Viola Cummings.

Mrs. Lilia Smith and Mrs. Julia Bryant and daughter are spending a few weeks with relatives in the Songo district.

F. G. Sloan and daughter Gertie are among those who contemplate attending the Andover centennial.

C. R. Eames is cutting the hay on the Hayford place.

C. H. McAllister is haying for "Aunt" Ann Flint.

Mrs. Grace McAllister is visiting her father W. C. Moore.

Violent Attack of Diarrhoea Cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and Perhaps a Life Saved.

"A short time ago I was taken with a violent attack of diarrhoea and believe I would have died if I had not gotten relief," says John J. Patton, a leading citizen of Patton, Ala. "A friend recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I bought a twenty-five cent bottle and after taking three doses it was entirely cured. I consider it the best remedy in the world for bowel complaints.

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NORTH ALBANY.

Mrs. Hobart past out of this life July 29. She had been in poor health for years and a short time ago she suffered a shock. The funeral was held at the house on Sunday morning, July 31, at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Kennerson is quite ill with a throat trouble.

Mrs. Towns' grandfather of Newburyport, Mass., is visiting her. He is 85 years old and has been on the mountain twice and walked at least six miles each trip.

Herman Brown and Abner Kimball have returned home from Yarmouth where they have been haying.

Susie and Howard Tyler have been visiting their grandmother in this place.

A Summer Cold.

A summer cold is not only annoying but if not relieved Pneumonia will be the probable result by Fall. One Minute Cough Cure clears the phlegm, draws out the inflammation, heals, soothes and strengthens the lungs and bronchial tubes. One Minute Cough Cure is an ideal remedy for the children. It is pleasant to the taste and perfectly harmless. A certain cure for Croup, Cough and Cold. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

HANOVER.

Mrs. E. E. Howe who has been with her sister in Falmouth for nearly two months has returned home much improved in health.

Mrs. Charles Hutchins has returned to her home in Lowell, Mass.

Mrs. A. O. Hayford has returned from a visit to the Rangely Lakes.

Mr. Lyman Hind who has been spending his vacation at Indian Rock Camp has returned to his home in Boston.

Miss Margaret Whidden of Bethel was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Smith last week.

Mrs. Joel Hutchins of Rumford with her little granddaughter Nellie Silver are guests of Mrs. Nancy Silver.

Mrs. L. A. Holt is with her daughter at Rumford Falls.

About sixty took dinner at Indian Rock Camp Sunday.

Mr. G. L. Smith visited his cousin, Mr. Bartlett at Bethel Sun. day.

TRUE'S ELIXIR
The only pure, safe, entirely vegetable remedy for all ailments of the blood, skin, and general system. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

Clearance Sale of Millinery

For the following two weeks we shall sell all hats way below cost price.

Yarns, including Germantown, Saxony and Shetland Floss, the latter in colors, only at 8 cts. and 6 cts. a skein.

Scotch Yarn (in black only) at 25 cts. double skein.

A few sizes in Shirt Waists, from 38 cts. up.

Hosiery for Ladies, Misses and Boys, from 10 cts. to 25 cts.

Special value in Lace hose, 15 cts. and 25 cts.

Just received, quantities of Fancy Collars in all the prevailing styles, from 15 cts. to 75 cts.

Lace Berthas, 50 cts., \$1.00 and \$1.38.

We carry a fine grade of Muslin and Gauze Underwear, Belts, Shirt Waist Sets, Combs, Laces, etc., etc.

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Our Crumbs of Comfort Line of Shoes for Ladies

For house wear. Look well. Fit well. Wear well and are as easy as stockings. We have a large assortment of them.

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TALES FROM THIBET.

Convert from That Country Tells of His Adventures While Escaping.

A story of adventure which made the members of the Sunday school at the Tremont Street Methodist church yesterday gaze with staring eyes was told by a mild-mannered native of Thibet, who has renounced his native religion and embraced Christianity. He has dropped his native name, and was introduced as plain "Mr. Smith."

He got his first love for Christianity through a few words dropped by an English missionary in his little village in Thibet. The missionary, however, did not fare very happily for the father of the speaker, who was a high priest, arrested her, and decreed that she should ride from the village seated on a saddle into which 100 or more spikes were driven. The speaker was delegated to lead the horse and see that it trotted at a good pace, so that the spikes would be effective. The ride was nearly the death of the missionary.

After her departure the convert decided that the faith she taught should be his spiritual belief, and as it was unsafe to remain in Thibet as an avowed Christian, he planned to go hence with a companion. They made their escape and got away through six villages, when they were discovered and brought back to their native town. Both arms of "Mr. Smith's" companion were cut off as a lesson to those who were unbelievers, and "Mr. Smith" was compelled to walk 300 miles on his knees as a penalty for his attempt to become a Christian.

He started to escape a second time, but was again overtaken. He was in despair, but deliverance came to him in an unexpected manner. He and his captor made part of the journey back and as night came on they lay down to sleep beside a cliff bordering on a river. During the night the guard fell off the cliff and the prisoner awoke in the morning to find that he was once more free.

He proceeded to take to the forest, and after adventures with bears and robbers he got beyond the boundaries of Thibet, and into India, where he was safe. "Mr. Smith" made his way to the home of the English missionary, who had first awakened Christianity in his breast and though she was almost dying on account of her ride on the spikes she welcomed him and taught him further the doctrines of Christianity and how to speak English. He is now in America to be further educated at Harvard University.—Boston Globe.

Scotch Boy Whipped King Edward.
King Edward, like many another sensible man, occasionally takes great pleasure in telling a joke on himself. This is his favorite:

Queen Victoria while in Scotland during the boyhood of Edward was fond of taking her ease to the coast or to the river and spending long hours over her water colors. The little Prince of Wales usually accompanied her. On one of these occasions he found time rather heavy and cast around for something with which to amuse himself. Near by he espied a barefooted, kilted Highland boy of his own age building a sand castle. Edward went up to him and calmly kicked the castle over.

"Dinna do that again," said the boy.

He rebuilt his castle of sand, and

once again it collapsed before young Edward's royal foot.

"If ye dae that again—"

There was silence as he built the castle for the third time.

Out shot the royal foot once more. The next moment his Royal Highness, the future King of England, was rolling in the sand with the infuriated Scotch boy, whose fists were flying like a windmill.

Edward howled for help, but Queen Victoria, who was an interested witness, sat still and allowed the kilted lad to administer punishment to his heart's content. When the Prince eventually reached his mother's side nose bleeding and bedraggled, the Queen only remarked:

"You deserved that."

Radium to Illuminate Gun Sights.
The discovery of the latest use to which radium can be put—the illumination of gun sights, and the like, at night time—seems to indicate that it will play an important part in warfare.

In gun sights, leveling instruments and telescopes there is what is called a "fiducial" mark, which is used to obtain a faithful result. These marks, of course, are useless in the dark, and, though many ways of illuminating them have been tried, nothing has proved satisfactory.

Mr. Andrew A. Common of Eaton-Rice, Faling, was the first to attempt to solve the difficulty by the use of radium, and his experiments were so successful that he applied for a patent. Unfortunately, he did not live to have it granted, but the complete specifications submitted by Mrs. Common, his widow and executrix, have just been accepted.—London Daily Mail.

What Korea's King Can Do.
Only the King of Korea may rear goats, or have round columns and square rafters to his house, or wear a coat of brilliant red. Only the king may look upon the faces of the queen's hundreds of attendant ladies, or have any building outside of which there are more than three steps.

Four steps would be high treason, and would cost their owner a traitor's death.

Where a flock is assorted as to age, size, breed and requirements it may be fed more satisfactorily than where it is "mixed."

Many who get a goodly supply of eggs never feed their hens a mash. One such supplies his hens in the winter with cut clover and beef scraps.

Ice water is not the most conducive to egg-production. Take off the chill.

Pullets should be kept separate from old hens. They need more food.

One of my neighbors has just been building a cistern. His ideas are all right except as to the filtering arrangement. He has divided off about one-third of the cistern with a four-inch wall of soft bricks laid in cement. He then let water into the larger part of the cistern, filling it with the smaller part almost empty. Of course this creates great strain on the four-inch partition. A much better and stronger construction to my notion is to build a square chimney in the middle of the cistern and set the pump in it.—A. Homan in Field and Farm.

Don't try to hatch duck and hen eggs in the same incubator.

For Invalids, Infants and the Aged

A physician writes: "I gave to a lady, long suffering with a stomach trouble, who found it difficult to obtain a food that digested well

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and it proved acceptable to her stomach, digested readily, and assisted in bridging over a crisis in her history." "I recommend it to invalids, infants and aged, and to all persons as pure, healthy cereal food."

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in THE BETHEL NEWS, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Rumford Falls on the third Tuesday of August, A. D. 1904, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

SOPHRONIA W. GROVER, late of Bethel, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in his hands presented by Darius H. Grover, administrator.

LYMAN W. RUSSELL, late of Denver, County of Arapahoe, State of Colorado, deceased; copy of will and petition for allowance of the same presented by Kate L. Abbott, executrix.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of ARIEL F. CARVER, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereon are requested to make payment immediately.

July 19, 1904. Albert W. Grover.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of WALTER M. BROWN, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereon are requested to make payment immediately.

July 19, 1904. Allison Browne.

National Aid for Public Roads.

At an institute in Shellyville a few weeks ago an able paper on Good Roads was read by H. M. Chadwick, in opposition to the appropriation of money by Congress for the purpose of building highways. The author sums up his argument thus: "For these reasons, first that only a portion of the people will receive any benefit from National roads, and second that the burden of building and maintaining them will fall most heavily on him who is least able to bear it, I am opposed to the building of roads by the National Government."

His argument on this latter point is well presented, but is too lengthy for our columns. He makes it appear very clearly that the poorer classes, being those that use most of the manufactured products of the country, pay the greater part of the revenue, from which the Government would draw the proposed appropriations for building public highways were made. The question therefore has two sides, and both must be well considered.

Objections to Old Combs.

Old combs become slightly yellowed and honey stored in them does not look quite so tempting as that in fresh new combs. This slight discoloration is not usually sufficient to detract from its marketable value to any great extent and therefore the objection is not serious.

COSTS NOTHING UNLESS CURED

A Fair Offer Made by G. R. Wiley to All Sufferers from Catarrh.

G. R. Wiley is selling Hyomel on a plan that has caused considerable talk among his customers.

The plan is different from that followed by other remedies, but the remedy itself is different also. This treatment for the cure of catarrh has such an unusual record of cures to its credit that G. R. Wiley offers to refund the money if it does not give the desired benefit. This is certainly one of the fairest offers that can be made and any one who has catarrh and does not take advantage of it is doing himself or herself an injustice.

Do not suffer any longer with tickling, smarting, burning, eye-watering troubles that afflict those who have catarrh. Hyomel will cure you, but if you should not find it adapted to your case, G. R. Wiley will refund your money.

REDUCING WEIGHT.

What a Middle-Aged Woman Did to Reduce Her Bulk Twenty-five Pounds.

"A successful reduction of weight which came under my observation," said a physical culture teacher, "was that of a noted platform speaker. At forty years old her bulk greatly interfered with her work. Being a woman of determination, she set about getting rid of the burden and at the end of the month the scales showed a reduction of four pounds, while at the end of six months she had reduced her weight twenty-five pounds. When telling me of her success she remarked that she had never felt better, and she looked it. This is the way it was done:

Breakfast was omitted and the time usually spent over that meal was used in the air, taking a brisk walk. On getting out of bed in the morning a quick sponge bath in cold water was followed by a brisk rub down. Then, clad in a short walking skirt, soft felt hat and comfortable shoes she started out and walked briskly for half an hour, by her watch. On returning home she engaged in her regular occupations until 12 o'clock, when a light luncheon was eaten. This consisted of a small cupful of clear broth, broiled steak or lean chops, one vegetable, but never potatoes. Graham bread, fresh or stewed fruit or a green salad. A moderate amount of water was drunk during the day, but no liquors were taken at meals. Rich, greasy foods, fat meats, sweets and cereals, except in very small quantities, were strictly tabooed at all times. She confessed that for the first week she felt the need of breakfast greatly, and to overcome the faint feeling resorted to a glass of hot water slipped slowly on returning from the walk. Since reducing her weight twenty-five pounds she has taken up breakfast again, but it consists of one baked tart apple and a very small piece of dry toast. The reduction seems permanent, since her weight has remained the same for the past three years and her health all that can be desired. While this is a method within the reach of all, I would suggest that the change in diet be more gradually made, for the radical change may be too severe for all persons."

Sunbaths and Rest Cure.

The "rest cures" have created a new fad among the wealthy women who have been making visits to them of late to recuperate from the strain of the social season. This is the scheme of living outdoors as much as possible, and the manner in which it is worked savors of the luxury of the times. The things brought into play usually include a stout cot, well padded, and placed permanently in some sunny but secluded hook in the immediate neighborhood of the country house in which the devotees live. When it is not in use the cot is covered with a heavy rubber blanket to protect it from the wet. When the "patient" lies stretched on the cot in the broad sunshine with a veil tied over her eyes to keep out the glare of light. A more thorough cure of this kind is effected by having a high wooden incline, the top of which is in which the patient lies. This is cut off from the rest of the world by a screen, and the patient is left to her own devices.

I find nothing better for liver derangement and constipation than Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.—L. F. ANDREWS, Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbetts, Locke's Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilstead.

IRELAND'S ANIMALS.

Species of Frogs and Lizards in Many Parts of the Island.

It is not correct to say that there are no frogs or toads in Ireland, though it is very remarkable that the common toad is not found there, says the London Spectator. The natterjack toad is a native of Kerry, though it does not appear to be found elsewhere. It is an example of the mania which some people have for meddling with nature that a Dr. Guithers in 1699 took the trouble to procure frogs' spawn from England, since which time they have multiplied in Ireland. But the common lizard is found in many parts of the island. The slowworm is not. Though the common toad, and till recent times the frog, was not found in Ireland, it is worth remembering that the English reptiles and batrachians are very local in their distribution. The natterjack toad is only found in certain counties. The edible frog was formerly only found in Foulmire Fen, in Cambridgeshire, and the sand lizard is most capricious in the choice of a home. The "beautiful green lacertae," which Gilbert White saw on the sunny banks near Farnham, are to be found there still, the males being of the green color; and also near Bourne-mouth, and in Dorsetshire beyond Poole Harbor. Yet there are many suitable places where none are seen, and then they reappear again on some sand hills on the coast of Lancashire, near Southport.

On the other hand, the absence of many species in Ireland, which are, or were, commonly found in the larger island, can only be explained on the supposition that they never reached the country. Among these are the wild cat, the polecat, and the weasel. Yet the marten was always plentiful on the other side of St. George's Channel, and stoats abound in the west. Five of the fourteen species of bat found in England have not been taken in Ireland, neither is the common shrew found there, or the water shrew or the mole, though the last is found in Anglesey.

Only six of the fifteen British rodents are found in Ireland, and of these one, the squirrel, was probably introduced. Neither is the roe deer indigenous. In support of the general theory that the immigration of the English fauna was difficult in the earlier periods, and subsequently checked altogether, may be cited the analogous instance of the Isle of Man. There, as in Ireland, there are no moles, no snakes, and no toads.

An Odd and Attractive Parasol.

Something new in sunshades is covered with a gray silk in solid colors, its outer edge scalloped by a broad wave line. When it is closed these waved portions curl up together and present the effect of a bouquet with parasol handle run through the middle of it.

Check and line taffetas in very ample styles are for the tailored suit. The most effective of them have a plain silk border.

Silk Among Fashionables.

Seven hundred out of a thousand women at a recent swell gathering in Paris were wearing gowns of plain silk.

Twelve Years Old Weighs 215 Pounds. The biggest boy in Missouri of his age is Early Payne of Fulton, a negro. Early is twelve years old and weighs 215 pounds. He is a brother of W. C. Payne, principal of the colored school of Fulton. His parents, who live near Fulton, weigh about 200 pounds each.

When Early was ten years old his weight was about 140 pounds. About one year ago he weighed 185 pounds. His height is now 5 feet 6 inches. Some of his measurements will convey some idea of his size: Chest, expanded, 47 inches; waist, 42 inches; right calf, 18 inches; left calf, 17 inches.—Fulton (Mo.) Sun.

BUTTS TRAIN TO STANDSTILL.

After Which the Rhinoceros Ambled Away to the Jungle.

From Zanzibar, equatorial East Africa, comes the story of a "collision" on the Wyanda railway, British East Africa, that would be possible nowhere else on earth, says the New York World.

A huge bull rhinoceros rushed out of the bush and charged at full speed the so-called "up-mixed" train, which was slowing down, February 14th, as it approached the station Sultan Hamud, 218 miles from Membsa, on the coast, where the road starts.

It was still dark, just before daylight. The train was traveling eight or ten miles an hour when the infuriated pachyderm attacked it on the flank. Perhaps the great brute had been aroused from sleep by the greater monster, whose one big shining eye nearly blinded him. But the rhinoceros, lord of that region, caring nothing for the huge bulk of the unknown intruder, hurled himself upon it.

The engineer felt a series of shocks, of which the first was so violent as to throw two passengers from their sleeping berths to the floor.

The train was stopped and the passengers turned out, most of them in their "robes of night" and some of them badly scared.

The "rhino" was discovered about 100 yards down the track. The impact with the train had felled him but had not cooled his rage. Slowly he raised himself and stood defiantly shaking his head.

Some of the more "sporting" passengers got their rifles and opened fire on the rhinoceros. But the light was uncertain, and probably the mighty beast was not hit. Slowly he returned to the jungle, and was lost to sight.

He did not escape unharmed from the strange encounter, for pieces of his thick skin were found adhering to the train. But the fierceness of his assault smashed the engine step and splintered the inch and a half thick footboard of the first carriage.

Life on the Uganda railway, which penetrates the very darkest Africa, is always sufficiently exciting. When the road was building in 1899 man-eating lions pursued the native laborers with much appetite. The laborers refused to work until a stockade was built around them. Nevertheless the hungry lions carried off several men, including a European railway official.

Jap Servants from Great Families.

The Japanese servants who find employment in New York houses often bear names which show their relation to the good families of Japan. But one employer of domestics of this kind was scarcely prepared for the aristocracy of her butler revealed to her accidentally the other day. The servant, who seemed to be studying architecture, had the privilege of placing a drawing table in the kitchen, and his spare hours were spent at work there. He was plainly above the ordinary class of servant, even from Japan, but she did not know who a certain young compatriot of his was who had been to the house several times in a few days. So she asked.

"My cousin, Prince Blank," was the answer. "He had just completed his education in Europe and is now on his way home."

That night the hostess almost hesitated to give an order, but there was no apparent change in the demeanor of her butler. She could not help thinking what the result might have been if a Prince from Sweden, Ireland or Germany had called on a relative below stairs.

Why the Captain Wore Chin Whiskers.

Capt. Gibbons had a habit of wearing chin whiskers. I had always thought this was due to the fact that they were more becoming, but I learned the reason to be otherwise. It seems that his chin and throat were scarred and these scars are thus explained:

On one of the ships which he commanded there was a mutiny of the crew one morning on the high seas, which he promptly started to quell. The sailors were too many for him, however, as he was unarmed, and they soon had him down on the deck, bound and gagged with a long knife across his mouth. It was this knife that produced the wounds whose scars the captain carried the remainder of his life concealed beneath his beard. While thus bound and gagged a lady passenger came to him and cutting the bonds handed him a loaded revolver. With this weapon he soon had the crew at his feet and the ringleaders were placed in irons.

Indigestion Causes Catarrh of the Stomach.

For many years it has been supposed that Catarrh of the Stomach caused indigestion and dyspepsia, but the truth is exactly the opposite. Indigestion causes catarrh. Repeated attacks of indigestion inflame the mucous membrane lining the stomach and cause the secretion of mucus instead of the normal gastric juice. This is the real cause of Catarrh of the Stomach.

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Fire Fighting at World's Fair

Hale's fire fighters' outfit, the World's Fair cover, two acres and consists of two fire engines, equipped with steam fire engines, hook ladders, chemical engine, a full force of trained firemen under the direction of Hale, formerly chief of the City fire department. This is an actual part of the protection service of the World's Fair and may be called at a go out on the grounds, of the enclosure is near high and at one side of the fair grounds are seats for over a thousand people. The opening in the audience is 300 feet long, the opposite side is a building 100 feet high. After a preliminary exhibit is sounded, and a process before the audience, consisting of three engines with steam chemical engines, hook ladders, firemen on foot, over, several demonstrations are given. William Illinois, runs 50 feet a coupling with three firemen in four and one half seconds.

Another gong is sounded and the firemen in bed, 250 feet, 25 seconds they are high combination hose and wagon, run 250 feet, lay hose, attached to a real fire and are pouring water, possibly burning building the gong is sounded a second the hook-and-ladder company is on hand and the their scaling ladders are a six-story building.

But the greatest demonstration of all is yet to come. The darkened and silence. Then inside the six-story building across the way a fire bursts out and not until it has gained headway is the gong sounded. The men are in bed as the horses are in their stalls. A few seconds the horses come down the street with the and at the same moment and children begin appearing in the open windows of the building in their nightgowns screaming for help. The terrible, but the firemen are hard. The scaling ladders are brought into requisition soon the first man climbs top window, anchors a life line, drops it to the ground, turns, seizes a screaming child with one arm, grabs the other and drops to the ground in safety. Others are doing the same at different windows.

In one case two children are in one room, and the flames are so fierce that there is not time to make two trips, so the fireman turns himself up-side-down the line about his feet, child in each hand and throwing himself head down, he slides the rope, having only his break the descent. This is a daring performance, and daring performance, elicits loud cheers. Just last inmate is rescued and is outside the building, the fall with a crash and a shout of relief passes, that all were safe. The hose had meantime working and keeps back while rescuers work. It 7 minutes from the time the alarm is sounded until the people are rescued, and the building is safe. It is all very rapid. The building is made of iron plates and smeared with cotton.

A Sweet Breath

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BUCKINGHAM'S EYE

Fire Fighting at World's Fair.

Hale's fire fighters' concession at the World's Fair covers perhaps two acres and consists of a fully equipped fire station—horses, steam fire engines, hook-and-ladder wagons, chemical engines and a full force of trained fire fighters under the direction of George O. Hale, formerly chief of the Kansas City fire department. The exhibit is an actual part of the fire protection service of the World's Fair and may be called at any time to go out on the grounds. The roof of the enclosure is nearly 100 feet high and at one side of an arena are seats for over a thousand people. The opening in front of the audience is 300 feet long and on the opposite side is a building six stories high. After a lecture explaining the exhibit a gong is sounded, and a procession passes before the audience, consisting of three engines with steam up, chemical engines, hook-and-ladders, firemen on foot, etc. This over, several demonstrations of skill are given. William Willis of Illinois, runs 50 feet and makes a coupling with three full turns, in four and one half seconds.

Another gong is sounded, with the horses in their stalls, and the firemen in bed, 250 feet away, in 25 seconds they are hitched to a combination hose and ladder wagon, run 250 feet, lay 150 feet of hose, attached to a real hydrant and are pouring water on a supposedly burning building. Again the gong is sounded and in 21 seconds the hook-and-ladder company is on hand and the men with their scaling ladders are on top of a six-story building.

But the greatest demonstration of all is yet to come. The arena is darkened and silence prevails. Then inside the six-story building across the way a fire bursts forth, and not until it has gained much headway is the gong sounded. The men are in bed as before and the horses are in their stalls; in a few seconds the horses come flying down the street with the engine, and at the same moment women and children begin appearing at the open windows of the burning building in their night clothes screaming for help. The din is terrible, but the firemen work hard. The scaling ladders are again brought into requisition and soon the first man climbs to the top window, anchors a life line and drops it to the ground, then he turns, seizes a screaming woman with one arm, grabs the line with the other and drops to the ground in safety. Others are doing the same at different windows.

In one case two children are in one room, and the flames are so fierce that there is not time to make two trips, so the brave man turns himself up-side-down, winds the line about his feet, grasps a child in each hand and thus, hanging himself head down and the children feet down, he slides down the rope, having only his legs to break the descent. This a nervy and daring performance, and receives loud cheers. Just as the last inmate is rescued and is safely outside the building, the walls fall with a crash and a shudder of relief passes, that all were rescued. The hose had meantime been working and keeps back the fire while rescuers work. It is just 7 minutes from the time the gong sounds until the people are all rescued, and the building falls to pieces. It is all very realistic. The building is made of incombustibles and smeared with combustible.

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WIT AND WISDOM.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

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Don't frown at obstacles that lie in your pathway. Remember that no disaster or sorrow can befall you that has not happened to other people who have grinned and gotten over it. You can get over it if you will.

The Keeley Institute in Portland, Maine, on Munjoy Hill, is successfully curing drunkards and drug users. 1y3

Don't forget that when you die this old world will still wag on and not one in ten million will attend your funeral or even hear of your death.

'Tis said a bottle and a glass will make a person mellow, But Rocky Mountain Tea's the drink That livens up a fellow. G. R. Wiley.

Don't trust the man or woman who cannot laugh a hearty laugh. Laughter is the language of the gods.

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Overdoing It: Eva's mother was very much annoyed by her leaving her playthings scattered about the house. "My child, you must have a place for everything and everything in its place," she said. "Why, I have," the little one replied. "I have four or five places for everything."

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More Like It: "He has quite a delicate wit, I've heard." "I wouldn't say 'delicate' exactly. 'Slickly' is the proper word."

BRANDING SWANS.

Strange Task Which Is Attended with Some Danger.

Rather a funny ceremony that is gone through with every year, has just been accomplished, and that is the marking of the young swans, or cygnets, on the upper Thames. Its swans are, of course, a feature of the river after Richmond is passed. Some of them are owned by the crown, and the rest by two of the ancient river "companies," and it is in order to distinguish them that the cygnets are marked.

The swan markers are a picturesque company. They wear white flannels and can be told apart by their different colored jerseys. Those of the King's men are scarlet, those of the Dyers' Company blue and white. The markers embark in half a dozen skiffs, at the stern of which flies either the King's flag—a white field, with a crown and the royal cipher, "E. R."—or one of the banners of the two companies.

The party sets out from Molesey Lock, and after that things are pretty lively, for the operation of marking swans, even young swans, is no holiday pastime. The birds fight like furies. They are surprisingly strong, too, and every once in a while one of the markers has an arm or leg broken by a vicious blow from a cygnet's wing. The birds are caught by means of a hook on the end of a long pole, and they are branded on the beak—either with the royal monogram or that of one of the companies. Usually the man who does the branding deprives the swan marked by him of one of its feathers, which he sticks in his cap as a trophy.

The number of cygnets is smaller than usual this year, on account of the bad weather and floods which have prevailed along the river. By the way, the Thames swans have a reputation for viciousness, and folk who have seen what they can do with their wings and beaks make it a point to give them a wide berth.—London correspondent Philadelphia Ledger.

The Champion Lady Climber. Mrs. Fanny Bullock Workman, news of whose sensational climb in the Himalayas to an altitude of 22,568 feet has come to hand, is an American, and by far the most expert lady mountaineer in the world. Of medium height and not more robust looking than the average woman, there is absolutely nothing in her appearance to suggest abnormal strength; yet the feats of endurance of which she is capable are quite phenomenal. When engaged on climbs involving days and days of hard and continuous work she is accustomed to be on her feet for eighteen hours out of the twenty-four, and no amount of discomfort causes her the least vexation. To be caught in a severe snowstorm at a great height and to take her meals anyhow only adds to the pleasure she experiences in overcoming difficulties. Mrs. Bullock Workman believes that women who possess the qualities of courage, endurance and patience and are willing to rough it make quite as good climbers as men, and her own exploits more than justify her contention.—Men and Women.

Man's Queer Vow.

Lloyds Brown, accountant for the Title Insurance & Trust Company in Los Angeles, amazed his fellow clerks the other day by speaking to them. In the many years he had been employed by the company he had been supposed to be incapable of speech or hearing anything, and to his associates he was known as "Dummy" Brown. His associates were astounded at the change in "Dummy." At first they thought a miracle had been wrought. "It was not a wager," said Brown, when asked for an explanation. "It is a business matter of purely a personal nature, and I decline to say anything in explanation." "Manager Brant and I have known for several months that Brown was not deaf and dumb," said A. F. Morlan, searcher for the company. "His reasons were satisfactory to us." There is a report that Brown in former years occupied a position of trust as he does now, and for reasons not known he made a pledge that for a stipulated period he would be dumb.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Mr. Fox's Toilet.

On one trip through the Kentucky mountains performed by John Fox, Jr., in pursuit of "local color," he stopped over night at a cabin, where he slept up next to the claphboards and went down a ladder to breakfast. He washed his face in a creek below the house, and dried it on a siding of coffee sack hung against the logs for family use, and combed his hair with his own comb before a piece of broken glass stuck between the chinking and daubing.

As he was making his toilet he was closely observed by the small boy of the family, who was clothed in a pair of cottonade pants hitched to a hickory shirt, with one "gallus" fastened by a nail. Shoes and hat were lacking, and his hair hadn't been combed for six weeks. He watched the visitor so closely that Mr. Fox thought he was making an excellent impression on the young barbarian. As he put on the last touch, the boy, unable to contain himself longer, broke in: "Say, Mister," he inquired, "ain't you a good deal of trouble to yourself?"—The Reader Magazine.

In the Kitchen—A Hint.

Young Housewife (as the front door bell rings)—Now, is that the butcher's boy—or a visitor? New 'General' (after a pause)—If you don't think you're tidy enough, mum—I'll go!—Punch.

HAY AND PASTURE.

Stage of Maturity in Which to Harvest Grass to Make Good Hay.

During a recent meeting of the Kansas Improved Stock-Breeders' association, A. M. Teneyck, of the Kansas Agricultural College, presented a paper on grasses, from which we take the following:

The stage of maturity at which grass should be harvested in order to make hay of the best quality varies somewhat with the different grasses and the use which is required of the hay. A safe rule applicable to all common grasses is to cut for hay just as the grass is beginning to bloom, or just after the bloom has fallen. For cattle and sheep the early cutting is best, for horses the late cutting is usually to be preferred. When cut at the early stage, grass is sure to make good, clean hay of prime quality, if the hay is cured well. Often a larger weight may be secured by cutting grass after it becomes more mature, but the quality of the hay is not apt to be quite so good. If grass is cut when in bloom the hay is sure to be more or less dusty.

The productiveness of any pasture-grass will be very much reduced by continued close grazing. The leaves are the lungs and the stomach of the plant. In the leaves the carbon from the air and the water and simple mineral elements from the soil are brought together and in the presence of sunshine and chlorophyll and the life-giving oxygen, the complex products are made which build up and sustain the life and growth of the plant. Keep the green leaves cropped off and the plant starves. It may not dwindle or die, but its growth becomes less vigorous and the productiveness of the pasture is reduced. The bad results of close grazing are especially noticeable in a dry season, and close grazing in the late autumn is especially harmful in that it weakens the vitality of the plants so that they do not start quickly or vigorously in the spring. Grass should not, as a rule, be pastured the season it is sown. If the season has been very favorable and a rank growth has taken place, grass may be pastured lightly in the autumn, but late or close grazing should be carefully avoided because the young plants need all their green leaves in order to manufacture the products which are necessary to establish a large and vigorous root growth.

New seedling may be injured also by too frequent and too close clipping with the mower. It is often necessary to mow the weeds on a new seeded field, but care should be taken not to clip too low. This suggestion relates to alfalfa and clover as well as to grasses. Often a good catch of clover or grasses, which has been killed out at harvest time. This is often due to the sudden exposure of the young, tender plants which have been used to shading to the hot bright sunshine. It is not easy to avoid exposing the young plants in this way. Often, however, time may be selected for cutting the nurse-crop when the weather is more or less cloudy and the soil moist, also the nurse-crop should be cut high so as to still provide some protection to the young plants.

Grass becomes less palatable to stock as it matures and forms seed, also the forming of the seed exhausts the vitality of the plant. In order to get an early and strong second-growth of grass, pasture should be mowed before the seed-heads mature. Pasture should not be grazed when the soil is so wet that the land will poach and become impacted by the tramping of the stock.

Sheep and Their Profit.

At the late Illinois live stock meeting at Urbana, Ill., Mr. Coffey, who had charge of the subject of sheep, said:

"At present our country has about 64,000,000 sheep. The States and Territories having the greatest numbers extend from Idaho and Montana southward to New Mexico. Montana, Wyoming and New Mexico have more than one-fourth the total number in the country. Illinois has only 788,000 sheep, valued at \$3.84 per head. While the number seems and is small for our State, her sister States, Iowa and Missouri, have fewer in number and valued at less per head, while Wisconsin and Indiana do not greatly exceed her in numbers, and their valuation per head is less. The prices paid for sheep during the past year have been gratifying, and the firm tone of the market has encouraged mutton production. These high prices have not been due to a short supply, for the records have been broken for large runs upon the market. In the face of large shipments and strong prices, we are led to believe that there is a growing demand for mutton in the United States, and that we can both grow and feed more sheep than we do to a profit. The ranges are full. They are now producing to the limit of their capacity; the demand for mutton is growing and the choice product is scarce; sheep can be fed at a cost of 5¢ per cent per each pound gain. We have the facilities, feed and location for putting sheep upon the market at a profit."

Onion Sets.

It is a good idea to make a small rich bed and sow a half dozen short rows of onion seed for growing "sets" for next year. The largest of these sets will make fine little pickling onions. Sets sell at 20 to 25 cents a quart, and it is more of a pleasure than a trouble to raise a peck of them from such a little bed.—Indiana Farmer.

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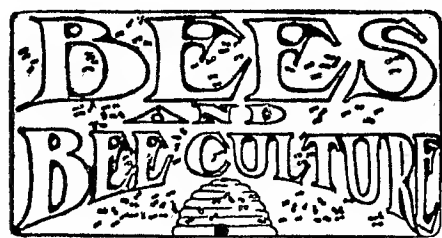
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STRANGE FANCIES ABOUT BEES.

Quaint Delusions Regarding these Little Workers.

A few centuries ago honey was supposed to be a kind of manna from heaven and its quality depended greatly on the favorable or unfavorable juxtaposition of the stars at the time of its descent.

Although the existence in each hive of one bee much larger than all the others was generally recognized in olden times, this was believed to be merely a ruler or king over the rest. That the large bee was actually the mother of the whole colony never seems to have occurred to any one until recent times. Among various other duties it was the king's part to go out each evening in search of any bees that had not returned to the hive by sunset and show them the way home.

From the earliest times honey appears to have been held in extraordinary favor as a universal specific for human ills. As a hair restorer it was largely recommended, rubbed in plentifully night and morning, and if dead bees were dried, pounded and worked up into a thick paste with the honey its hair-producing capabilities were much enhanced. This mess had to be plastered on the bald places of the head overnight, with infallible results in the morning, if one may credit a certain fifteenth century writer. For weak eyes the same authority says to take a handful of the heads of bees, burn them and mingle the ashes with honey gathered in the dog days. The eyes were then anointed liberally with the mixture and clearness of vision was the inevitable reward.

In old days the situation of a beehive was a matter of prime importance. It was to be placed always on the south side of a stream or water and never in a place where there were echoes, as an echo was very injurious to bees. A little gravel was to be put down in the neighborhood of the hives, as in windy weather the bees needed small stones to carry about in their flight as counterpoises. The beekeeper was recommended to shave and keep his head close-cropped, long hair on head, or face being extremely offensive to his charges, and in attire he was to avoid anything of a red color.

Give Bees Plenty of Space. Bees as kept on the farm, a few colonies here and there scattered in different localities, ordinarily do the best business, for the pasture is not overstocked as is frequently the case in large apiaries. The greatest mistake usually made is that of limiting the supers and thus not furnishing the bees with enough surplus capacity. The bees fill this limited space with honey in a few days at the beginning of the season and afterwards turn their attention to swarming instead of gathering a large honey crop. The number of extra hives to be provided for the swarming period will depend upon the desired increase to some extent. While a new hive for every old colony is sure to be needed in favorable seasons, with judicious judgment twice this number may be used without sacrificing strength to numbers. One super for each old colony and one for each primary swarm is a safe estimate. To this should be added two or three for extras.

We would like to repeat the caution, to keep the separator clean and well oiled in all the joints. Neglect of this will soon ruin any machine which runs at a high rate of speed. Having struck the gait maintain it steadily. The ear will tell pretty accurately when the separator is running at the right speed.

INDOOR FLORICULTURE.

Always Keep Plants Clean Is the First Rule.

Years of experience in handling indoor plants both in window gardens and greenhouses leads us to make a few suggestions which have been helpful to us in getting good results. One of the fundamental principles to lay down in the beginning is to always keep the plant clean. Not only does this add to the appearance of the plants but it is of great benefit from a hygienic standpoint.

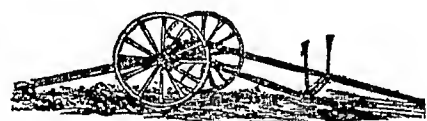
If the pores of the leaves, or lungs of the plants are permitted to become clogged with dust, they suffer greatly and become sticky. Here is where the daily showering which we have advised, in our notes will prevent this condition to a great extent. When sweeping a room in which plants are kept, it is a good plan to cover the plants with a light thin cloth. As soon as the dry leaves appear on the plants, they should be removed. When flowers begin to fade cut them off and do not throw them down among the plants to decay. Burn them or dispose of them so that they will not make a source of infection to the other plants.

Often we find plants growing one-sided due to the amateur neglecting to turn the plants so that the sunshine and light will have a chance to get all sides of them. This turning should be done at least once a week. This will not always make plants grow symmetrically, but will help. Another help along this line, is to prune away the objectionable branches or pinch off the ends of them so as to make a symmetrical development. If the plant shows a tendency to grow tall and branchless, cut it back at least a third. In most instances, this will cause branches to start along the stock. We have found that we could almost always force a plant to come to our terms if we followed the above suggestions.

Keep the soil stirred well about the plants in the greenhouses or window gardens. The reason for this is that air will be admitted freely to the roots of the plants and prevent a formation of a crust on the surface which interferes quite materially with the free entrance of water. There are a number of tools used to keep the soil stirred. An old fashioned two tined fork can be used to advantage in loosening the soil, or a stiff wire bent into the shape of claws can be made with but a little trouble.—Indiana Farmer.

A Simple Fodder Carrier.

On farms where the corn-stalks are left in stacks in the field to be carted to the yard as wanted, the use of a convenient carrier saves much work and time. Such an one is shown in



Fodder Carrier.

our illustration, a sketch of which was sent us by A. G. Knapp, Pottawattamie County, Ia. It consists of the front wheels, axle, bolster and pole of a common farm wagon, with the ends of two poles, or a common cordwood rack fastened to the bolster. The other ends of the poles drag on the ground. A cross piece three feet long is securely fastened to the poles about three feet from their lower ends, and two upright stakes four or five feet long complete the arrangement of this farm convenience.

Clover Subsoils for Alfalfa.

One of the best subsoilers to use in fitting land for alfalfa is red clover. Young clover is much more vigorous than young alfalfa, while the reverse is true of the older plants. Several farmers of my acquaintance have had good success in growing alfalfa on soils underlaid by hardpan by growing clover on the field for two years before seeding to alfalfa. The plan is to handle the clover in such a way as to get the most vigorous growth possible.

ble. Under such treatment the roots will grow well down into tough subsoil, often subsoiling pretty thoroughly to a depth of four or five feet. At the end of the two years the clover sod is broken up and the ground prepared for and seeded to alfalfa. The clover puts the soil in good condition for the easy growth of the young alfalfa, and the decaying clover roots keep the subsoil open and drained. By the time the alfalfa roots have reached to the full depth to which the subsoil has been worked up by the clover the alfalfa has become strong and vigorous, ready to bore its way through almost any subsoil but rock. Red clover has another advantage in preparing the way for alfalfa. Young alfalfa is the weakest feeder among farm plants, and particularly needs an easily available supply of nitrogen. The clover sod furnishes this until the alfalfa reaches full growth, when it becomes one of our strongest nitrogen gathering plants. Many farmers will think this method of fitting land for alfalfa too expensive, but when they have secured a permanent stand for alfalfa they will have a crop that will give them yearly per acre the equivalent of four to six tons of bran they will find the expense justified.—Iowa Correspondence Rural New Yorker.

Japan and the Yellow Races.

M. de Lanesman, the former Minister of Marine, calls attention in an interesting and suggestive article in the Siecle to the attitude of the Japanese toward the other peoples of the yellow race, and in particular to the rapprochement between China and Japan which has taken place since the war. He points out that, instead of fomenting the hostility which existed before that conflict, the war has had quite a contrary effect. After a striking enumeration of the new ties established between the two countries he observes that Japan, having profited by the lessons of European masters in the art of war and administration, finance, commerce and industry, has now in her turn undertaken the education which will certainly not be favorable to the peoples of the West. The Japanese have not forgotten the mortification to which they were subjected by Europe at the close of the Sino-Japanese war, when they were called upon to renounce their conquests and their glory. Intelligent, active and extremely ambitious, they have secretly sworn to be revenged for that humiliation, and they are preparing that vengeance by instructing their brethren of the yellow race.

It is not in China alone that they are exerting themselves, but also in Corea and even as far as Siam, where the yellow blood is much less pure than in the Celestial Empire. The former Minister considers the extension of Japanese influence in Siam more difficult, owing to the action of European countries in that State, but he nevertheless anticipates that it will eventually prove successful in consequence of the Siamese sympathy for the Japanese and the divisions between the European Powers. There, as well as in Corea, the Japanese are destined to play an important part to the detriment of the Western nations.—Paris Correspondence in London Times.

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MAN CONFESSED TO MURDER.

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Friday afternoon a man named S. Marmolejo appeared before the prosecuting attorney in Belen and declared that he had murdered Macedonio Trejo, two months ago, near the Dolores cemetery. When asked to explain the circumstances surrounding his crime, he said that he was coming from the Dolores cemetery late one afternoon when he met Trejo, with whom he had had a quarrel a few days before. Trejo insulted him and challenged him to a fight. Marmolejo produced his knife and stabbed his opponent, who immediately fell down in a pool of blood and died almost instantly. Marmolejo then ran away, jumped on a car that happened to pass by, and twenty minutes later he was taking supper with his family.

But that night and for many nights more he could not sleep, for he said that he saw Trejo's eyes staring at him, and to avoid his vision he kept the lamp burning all night. As time went on, Marmolejo says, the ghost of Trejo became bolder; lately the shade pulled his blanket when he was in bed and whispered something that he could not understand.

Thursday night the ghost blew out the lamp and told Marmolejo to present himself before the judges. The man added that he was tired of such "cosas," and wanted to be incarcerated and punished for his crime. He was then sent to a cell, where he slept all night, or at least he has not yet told his experience with Trejo's ghost.

Early in the morning yesterday the judge ordered Marmolejo to be brought to his presence, but as soon as he reached the door he turned back with a look of horror in his face and attempted to escape. Trejo, the man whom he had killed, was there speaking to the judge, and not as ghosts are supposed to speak, but as live persons do.

The mystery was subsequently explained. Trejo, when stabbed by Marmolejo, received a very slight wound, from which he recovered in fifteen days.

Marmolejo was acquitted of his alleged murder, and is being tried simply for "cutting strap of Trejo's skin," as lower people call wounds that do not cause death.—Mexican Herald.

President Roosevelt's Misplay.

President Roosevelt never leaves a train or gets to the end of a railroad division without shaking hands with the engineer and the fireman. He thanks them for the run, even if the train is late.

During his last Western trip there was a change of engines at Grand Island, Neb. The President hurried to the engine and gripped the oily palm of the engine driver and quite abashed that worthy with thanks for the successful and rapid trip. Then he turned to the fireman, remarking with enthusiasm:

"You know I am a member of your brotherhood; the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen made me a member when I attended its convention at Chattanooga. Its a splendid organization, as, of course, you know. I am a great believer in unions like yours. They are a mighty good thing. Goodbye."

The President put out his hand. The fireman's face did not reflect the enthusiasm in that of the Chief Executive. The President received only the limpest kind of grip from the smiling engine driver. As he passed down the platform to his car the President turned in great surprise to the superintendent of the railroad, who walked by his side.

"Those men did not seem very much pleased," he remarked, with a puzzled expression.

"Well, you see, Mr. President," returned the railroad man, with a dry smile, "there's been a strike on this road and they are not union men."

Spiders That Spin Big Webs.

In the mountains of Ceylon and India there is a spider six inches long that spins a web like bright yellowish silk, the central net of which is five feet in diameter, while the supporting lines or guys measure some times ten feet or twelve feet. Riding quickly in the early mornings you may dash right into it, the stout threads twisting around your face like a lace veil, while as the creature that has woven it takes up its position in the middle it generally catches you right on the nose and, though it seldom bites or stings, the contact of its large body and long legs is anything but pleasant. If you try to catch it, bite it will, and, though not venomous, its jaws are as powerful as a bird's beak, and you are not likely to forget the encounter. The bodies of these spiders are very handsomely decorated, being bright gold or scarlet underneath, while the upper part is covered with the most delicate slate-colored fur. So strong are the webs that birds the size of larks are frequently caught in them and even the small but powerful sealy lizard falls a victim.

Japs Belief of Mythical Creatures.

Japanese believe in more mythical creatures than any other people on the globe, civilized or savage. Among these are serpents 300 feet long and large enough to swallow an elephant, foxes with eight legs, monkeys with four ears and fishes with ten heads attached to one body. They also believe in the existence of a crane which after it has lived for 600 years has no need of any sustenance except water.

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